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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 28, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-3, drawn to a method for preparing a substrate. Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.